**Drafting Commentary Anchor Chart**

**Strong Commentary Verbs**from *Rules for Writers* by Diana Hacker

Use these verbs when writing commentary.

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| acknowledges | compares | insists | claims |
| adds | confirms | notes | underscores |
| admits | declares | observes | exemplifies |
| agrees | denies | points outs | implies |
| argues | emphasizes | rejects | proves |
| asserts | highlights | reports | exhibits |
| believes | illustrates | responds | suggests |

**3 Commentary Questions**

How would you re-explain this piece of evidence?

What is important about this piece of evidence?

How does this piece of evidence prove your claim?